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cc Judy Smith
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Subject Fw: Mining Training - Dillingham & Newhalen - JUNE - PLEASE REGISTER ASAP

Good Morning,

I wanted to let you know that EPA has confirmed the mining information sessions for Dillingham and Newhalen. The ad that will be going in the Bristol Bay Times is attached. If any of you would be willing to help spread the word, by posting information on community bulletin boards and/or by emailing those you think might be interested I would really appreciate it.

The mining information sessions are a joint effort by EPA and the Alaska Department of Natural Resources (ADNR) to share information about the environmental review and permitting process for large mines. EPA and ADNR have presented these sessions in other communities where mines are proposed. Since the Pebble Partnership has not submitted permit applications or a project description for the proposed Pebble Mine we will not be going over any details of that project. Of course, we will share what we know about their proposals and make the training as relevant as possible, however it is still general in terms of describing potential impacts from mining and how those are mitigated and permitted. The agendas are attached below for the sessions to be held in Newhalen and Dillingham.

There will be EPA Senior Leaders traveling in the region during June 1-3, there will be times available to meet with them in regards to the Bristol Bay Watershed Assessment, please see the attached agendas for more information. Or if you have questions please let me know.

I am trying to find out how many people to expect and I know that we have limited space so please register ASAP - either online or by faxing the form below to me. There is no fee for registration.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely - Tami



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Mining agenda. Dillingham June 2011 FINAL.pdf



Mining agenda. Newhalen June 2011 FINAL.pdf



Mining Info Registration Form.pdf

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<http://www.epa.gov/tribal/>

EPA Community Action for Renewed Environment
<http://www.epa.gov/CARE>

Mining Information Session Dillingham & Newhale

Newhalen
Newhalen Teen Center
Thursday, June 2, 2011

Dillingham
BBNA Head Start Building
Friday, June 3, 2011

US Environmental Protection Agency and Alaska Department of Natural Resources will share information on their regulatory roles in the mining permitting process. Topics include:

- Mining Fundamentals, Exploration, Mining, Mineral Processing
- Environmental Concerns and Issues, Soil, Water, Air impacts, Tailings Dams
- Regulations and Permitting Process
- How Tribes and Community Members Can Be Involved

Interested community members from the Bristol Bay Region are all invited. All elders, tribal leaders, representatives from the city, native corporations, watershed council, non-profits, and youth – please join us! Pre-registration is requested, because space is limited.

To register or for more information:

Tami Fordham, EPA at (907) 271-1484 (fordham.tami@epa.gov)

Online at: www.epa.gov/region10/bristolbay

EPA Bristol Bay Watershed Assessment Listening Session

EPA managers and representatives will be available to talk with you about the EPA Bristol Bay Watershed Assessment and answer questions.



Newhalen Teen Center
7-9 p.m. Wednesday, June 1, 2011

DRAFT AGENDA
Mining Information Session
Dillingham, AK

Bristol Bay Native Association – Head Start Building
June 3rd, 2011

Invocation & Welcome – Curyung Tribe & BBNA (*invited*)
Overall Introduction of Session and Participants - facilitated by Tami Fordham, EPA
(8:30-8:45)

Part 1: Mining Fundamentals (8:45 – 9:30AM)
Introduction - Patty McGrath, EPA
Exploration and Mining - ADNR
Mineral Processing – Patty

Part 2: Environmental Concerns and Issues (9:30 – 10:15 AM)
Introduction, Environmental Issues - Patty
Break (10:15 AM – 10:30)

Update on Bristol Bay Watershed Assessment – Rick Parkin (EPA), Senior Management
Lead & others TBD (10:30-12PM)

Lunch Break (12:00 – 1:00)

Part 2: Environmental Concerns and Issues, continued (1:00 – 1:45 PM)
Introduction, Environmental Issues, continued - Patty
Tailings dams & mine closure & take home message - ADNR

Q&A – 1:45 – 2:15

Part 3: Agencies and Regulatory Process (2:15- 3:30)
Introduction, federal agencies, EPA authorities - Patty
NEPA and CWA – Patty
State authorizations and permits - ANDR
CERCLA, Pogo example and summary – Patty

Break (3:30-3:45)

Part 4: How Tribes Can be Involved (3:45-4:30)
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Discussion & Wrap-up (4:30 – 5:30PM)

DRAFT AGENDA
Mining Information Session
Newhalen, AK

Newhalen Teen Center
June 2nd, 2011

****EVENING MEETING JUNE 1st – 7-9PM – Update on Bristol Bay Watershed
Assessment (Newhalen Teen Center)

Invocation & Welcome – Newhalen Tribal Council (*invited*)
Overall Introduction of Session and Participants - facilitated by Tami Fordham (EPA)

Part 1: Mining Fundamentals (9:00 – 9:45)

Introduction - Patty McGrath, EPA

Exploration and Mining - ADNR

Mineral Processing - Patty

Part 2: Environmental Concerns and Issues (9:45 – 11:00)

Introduction, Environmental Issues - Patty

Tailings dams & mine closure & take home message - ADNR

Discussion: 11:00-12:00

Lunch Break (12:00 – 1:00)

Part 3: Agencies and Regulatory Process (1:00 – 2:30)

Introduction, federal agencies, EPA authorities - Patty

NEPA – Patty

CWA - Patty

State authorizations and permits - ADNR

CERCLA, Pogo example and summary – Patty

Break (2:30 – 2:45)

Part 4: How Tribes Can be Involved (2:45 – 3:30)

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Follow-up Discussion (3:30 – 4:30)

2011 Mining Information Session

US Environmental Protection Agency and Alaska Department of Natural Resources

The US Environmental Protection Agency and the Alaska Department of Natural Resources will share information on mining and the environmental permitting process for mining projects. Topics include:

- Fundamentals of Exploration Mining and Mineral Processing
- Environmental Concerns and Issues, including Soil Water, Air Impacts, Tailings Dams
- Environmental Regulations and Permitting Process
- How Tribes and Community Members Can Be Involved

Community members from the Bristol Bay Region are all invited. Elders, tribal leaders, youth, and representatives of the city, native corporations, watershed council or non-profits – please join us!

The Friday session in Dillingham will include a late-morning discussion with EPA managers about the upcoming EPA Bristol Bay Watershed Assessment. This discussion will be held at the Newhalen Teen Center on Wednesday evening, prior to the Thursday session in Newhalen. Please see the meeting agendas for additional details.

Your pre-registration is requested to help us plan for handouts and limited meeting room space. Please register by May 27th, 2011. There are several ways to register:

- Online at www.epa.gov/region10/bristolbay;
- Call or send an e-mail to Tami Fordham at: 907-271-1484 or Fordham.Tami@epa.gov
- Fax this form to: Tami Fordham at 907-271-3424

Please Pre-register by May 27, 2011

☐ Newhalen on Thursday, June 2,
8:30 am – 4:30 pm at the
Newhalen Teen Center

☐ Dillingham on Friday, June 3,
8:30 am – 5:30 pm at the
BBNA Head Start Building

Name			
Title			
Organization, Or Tribe			
Address			
City		Zip	
E-Mail			

☐ Please add my name to the e-mail list to receive updates about EPA work in Bristol Bay